Human Services in several areas including: peer review; Area Health Education Centers; title VII health professions; and the External Advisory Panel for Primary Care. She was instrumental in developing the Committee for the Departments of Family Medicine Grant Reviews and chaired the National Advisory Council on Health Professions Education. She is currently serving as the vice president for the Council on Graduate Medical Education for the Health Resources and Services Administration.

She has also served in many capacities in Utah State government including as: a member of the Utah Task Force on Rural Health Policy Development, chairwoman of the Rural Medical Financial Assistance Committee, and a member of the Preventive Health Care Services Technical Advisory Group for the Utah Health Policy Commission.

I am also particularly grateful for the service Dr. Bishop has given me as a member of my Utah Women's Advisory Committee. She has been a valuable asset on this committee providing me with input and excellent ideas concerning women's health issues.

Dr. Bishop can also add author to her long list of accomplishments. She has published several important articles in such prestigious publications as: the British Journal of Medical Education, the Journal of Practical Nursing, the Journal of Community Health, and the Textbook of Family Practice. She is currently serving as the chairwoman for the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

Sadly, Dr. Bishop is now battling her own personal health crisis. I sincerely hope she is able to draw upon the strength and courage she imparted to the many people she touched throughout her medical and teaching career to ease her own pain and suffering. The service she has so unselfishly given to students, patients, and the medical community is exemplary and the contributions she made to the field of family practice will be felt for years to come. I am grateful for the opportunity today to honor this wonderful doctor, mother, and woman.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING CINDY DWYER

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I ask that the following statement from our former colleague, Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, be printed in the RECORD. Senator Kerrey is providing this statement concerning a former member of his Senate staff who is presently serving as my scheduler.

There being no objection, the statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

We Americans have been taught to believe our share of myths. Myths are not lies; they are, like George Washington's decision to tell the truth about a fallen cherry tree, stories with a purpose. The purpose, however, is not always benign. Malignant myths have their roots in the soil of despair. They are told by those who do not believe in the possibility of human beings being motivated by the desire to do good.

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Among the most destructive of cynical myths is that people who work for politicians are old corrupt hacks who only care about keeping their bosses in power. Cindy Dwyer is living evidence that the cynics are wrong, and what is most wonderful about Washington, DC, is that her story is not unique.

Cindy was 20 years old and a junior in college when she volunteered for a Senate campaign in South Dakota. Her candidate won and she went back to school. When she finished, her candidate, now a Senator, called to offer her a job. Cindy rolled the dice and said yes.

In the Senator's office she met and became friends with a legislative assistant by the name of Tom Daschle. She stayed for a few years and then moved back to South Dakota to teach kindergarten. Not long after settling back into private life her legislative assistant friend called to say he was running for Congress. He offered her a job in his campaign. Tom Daschle won that race and Cindy raced back to DC where she served as his scheduler. When Tom made a successful run for Senate in 1986, she moved over to his Senate office to become his press secretary.

And that is where I come into her story. In late 1987 I decided I would become a candidate for U.S. Senate. I had learned enough to know that my most important hire would be the person who did my scheduling and I learned that Cindy just might be willing to join our campaign. Fortunately for me and unfortunately for my opponent Cindy said yes. And, when the campaign was over I asked her to move to Washington one more time.

For the 12 years I served Nebraskans in the Senate she managed my most valuable commodity: my time. She helped me do my job much better than I could have without her. She extended my reach, increased the scope of my vision, and broadened the number of volunteer partners at home. She never failed to return a phone call. She could say no and make it sound like yes. She wouldn't leave the office until my plane was safely on the ground. If her salary were calculated by the hour, she would have been among the lowest paid people in the American workforce.

But Cindy, like most of the other young people in Washington, does not do what she does in order to reap financial rewards. She does what she does because she loves our country, wants to make it a better place, seeks to increase citizen confidence that our Government is "of, by and for the people," and thinks her greatest accomplishments were when she used the power of the office for the good of just one person in trouble.

It seems a perfect ending to a heroic story that Cindy went to work for Senator Tim Johnson and helped him win one of the most difficult campaigns in 2002. So it is that she will spend her last day doing the same thing she did on her first: working for the people of South Dakota. It is just as perfect that in many ways Cindy's nearly 28 years of service in Congress were spent doing many of the same things she did when she taught preschool and kindergarten. Members of Congress were behaving like children long before psychiatrists recommended that we get in tough with our inner child.

Cindy Dwyer always stayed in touch with her inner teacher. She mentored every young staffer who had the good fortune to fall under her authority. She never hoarded her good advice or good wishes. She took delight when others learned from her and succeeded because of it. Most importantly Cindy gave delight to anyone who spoke with her on the phone. For no gift can match the jolt of good news from her joyful voice shouting out: "How are you doing?"

The answer, is that thanks to Cindy we are doing just fine.●

IN RECOGNITION OF THE EFFORTS OF THE DELAWARE MENTORING COUNCIL

• Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the good work of the Delaware Mentoring Council and to celebrate the efforts of mentors across our great country. With the designation of January as National Mentoring Month, we focus national attention on the need for mentors, as well as how each of us—individuals, businesses, schools and community groups—can work together to increase the number of mentors and assure brighter futures for our young people.

Mentors serve as role models, advocates, friends, and advisors. Numerous studies document that mentors help young people augment social skills, enhance emotional well-being, improve cognitive skills, and plan for the future. For some children, having a caring adult mentor to turn to for guidance and encouragement can make the crucial difference between success and failure in life.

Delaware has been showing communities across the country the power of mentoring for quite a while. Mentoring has become an integral part of our school system in Delaware and is one of the keys to improving academic achievement among at-risk students.

As Governor, I helped recruit thousands of mentors as part of a statewide effort and was actively involved in recruiting individuals, churches, service clubs, students, and corporations to help in mentoring Delaware's at-risk children. I first experienced the joy of mentoring in 1997 when I became a mentor to Darryl Burton, a fifth grader at Wilmington's Warner Elementary School. More than 5 years later, we now meet at Delcastle High School, where he is a freshman, every week during the school year. I know from personal experience that there are few things more rewarding than making a difference in the life of a child. Literally hundreds of mentors have said to me of their mentoring experience over the past 6 years, "I know I'm helping the young person that I mentor, but I get even more out of it than they do.

We are making great strides in the First State in helping thousands of additional students realize their full potential, along with Delaware's rigorous academic standards. The Delaware Mentoring Council is, in large part, leading the way. We must continue to work to level the playing field and give every child the tools they need to succeed in school and in life.

I am proud to be part of Delaware's army of mentors. We know that there are thousands of other students in our schools who would benefit greatly from